

# Bwela language

**Bwela**, or *Lingi*, is a poorly known Congolese Bantu language of uncertain affiliation (though listed as Zone C.40 by Guthrie). It may be close to Tembo.<sup>[2]</sup>

## References

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Bwela	
<b>Native to</b>	Democratic Republic of Congo
<b>Native speakers</b>	8,400 (2002) <sup>[1]</sup>
<b>Language family</b>	<div>Niger–Congo<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Atlantic–Congo<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Benue–Congo<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Bantoid<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Bantu<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Buja–Ngombe?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Bwela</b></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></div>
Language codes	
<b>ISO 639-3</b>	bwl
<b>Glottolog</b>	bwel1238 ( <a href="http://glottolog.org/resource/anguoid/id/bwel1238">http://glottolog.org/resource/anguoid/id/bwel1238</a> ) <sup>[2]</sup>
<b>Guthrie code</b>	C.42 <sup>[3]</sup>

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